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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

1-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Withdrawn) A method of removing cooked-, baked- or burnt-on soils from cookware and tableware comprising treating the cookware/tableware with a hard surface cleaning composition according to Claim 1.

31. (Withdrawn) A method of removing cooked-, baked- or burnt-on polymerized grease soils from metallic cookware and tableware comprising treating the cookware/tableware with a hard surface cleaning composition according to Claim 1.

32. (Withdrawn) A method of removing cooked-, baked- or burnt-on carbohydrate soils from metallic cookware and tableware comprising treating the cookware/tableware with a hard surface cleaning composition according to Claim 1.

33. (Withdrawn) A method according to Claim 30 comprising the step of pre-treating the cookware/tableware with the hard surface cleaning composition prior to manual or automatic dishwashing.

34. (Withdrawn) A method according to Claim 30 comprising the step of pre-treating the cookware/tableware with the hard surface cleaning composition and covering the pre-treated cookware/tableware with the hard surface cleaning composition and covering the pre-treated cookware/tableware with cling film for a time sufficient to promote swelling of the soil prior to manual or automatic dishwashing.

35. (Withdrawn) A method of removing cooked-, baked- or burnt-on soils from cookware and tableware comprising pretreating the soiled cookware/tableware with a shear thinning hard surface cleaning composition comprising a soil swelling agent and

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thereafter washing the cookware/tableware in an automatic dishwashing machine.

36-56. (Cancelled)

57. (Currently Amended) A hard surface cleaning product comprising a hard surface cleaning composition and a spray dispenser, wherein spray droplets from the spray dispenser have an average equivalent geometric diameter from about 3 μm to about 10 μm , as measured using a TSI Aerosizer; wherein the cleaning composition comprises an anionic surfactant, an organic solvent system, a thickening system comprising a xanthan gum and a synthetic ~~laponite~~ clay thickening agent having an average platelet size of maximum dimension less than about 100 nm and a layer structure which in dispersion in water, is in the form of disc-shaped crystals of about 1 nm thick and about 25 nm diameter, wherein the organic solvent system comprises at least one organoamine and a glycol ether solvent, wherein the glycol ether solvent is selected from the group consisting of ethylene glycol monobutyl ether, diethylene glycol monobutyl ether, ethylene glycol monomethyl ether, ethylene glycol monoethyl ether, diethylene glycol monomethyl ether, diethylene glycol monoethyl ether, propylene glycol monobutyl ether, dipropylene glycol monobutyl ether, ethylene glycol phenyl ether, and mixtures thereof; a solvent odor masking perfume comprising an ionone; wherein the composition has a pH, as measured in a 10% solution in distilled water, from about 11.5 to about 14; and wherein said composition has shear thinning properties.

58. (Previously Presented) The product according to Claim 57, wherein the thickening system further comprises a viscoelastic, thixotropic thickening agent.

59. – 62. (Cancelled)

63. (previously presented) The product according to Claim 57, wherein the glycol ether solvent is a mixture of diethylene glycol monobutyl ether and propylene glycol butyl ether.

64. – 66. (Cancelled)